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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Nick A. Van Stralen et al.,

Serial No. 10/687,509

Filed: October 15, 2003

For High Speed Turbo Decoder

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR§1.47(a)

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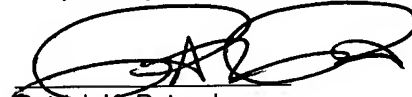
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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.47(a), applicants respectfully submit this petition to allow the subject Declaration to be made by the signing joint inventors on behalf of themselves and Mr. Stephen Hladik. Mr. Hladik's last know mailing address is 13 Olympus Court, Albany, New York 12208 a non-signing inventor who refuses to join in the Declaration.

Applicants respectfully submit hat Mr. Hladik has refused to join in the Declaration after a bona fide attempt was made to have Mr. Hladik sign for this Reissue Declaration. On February 26, 2004, the undersigned sent a copy of the Reissue Declaration to Mr. Hladiks home by Federal Express (copy attached). We did not receive a reply from him. On March 23, 2004, we again called Mr. Hladik's office and he was out of town until April 19. We again called his office on March 30, 2004 and he said he would get back to us but did not. Another call was made on May 4, 2004 and he did not come to the phone. We left word for him to call. In addition, Mr. Hladik's wife is currently involved in a dispute with applicants' Company, General Electric Company. This dispute is believed to be the reason for Mr. Hladik's unwillingness to sign the paperwork.

In light of Mr. Hladik's refusal to join in the subject Reissue Declaration, as set forth above, Applicants respectfully request that the subject Declaration be made by the signing co-inventors on behalf of themselves and Mr. Hladik.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Patnode', enclosed within a large, loopy oval shape.

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